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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

Applicant's or agent's file reference 12367500	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="text-align: center;">FOR FURTHER ACTION</div> <div>see Notification of Transmittal of International Search Report (Form PCT/ISA/220) as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.</div> </div>
International application No. PCT/AU2003/001497	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>International filing date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 13 November 2003</div> <div>(Earliest) Priority Date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 13 November 2002</div> </div>
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This international search report consists of a total of **4** sheets.

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1. Basis of the report

- a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
- ☐ the international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).
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2. ☐ Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box I).

3. ☐ Unity of invention is lacking (See Box II).

4. With regard to the **title**,

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☐ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

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6. The figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No.

☐ as suggested by the applicant.

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☒ None of the figures

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTERInt. Cl. ⁷: C12N 005/00, 005/06, 005/08

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

Electronic Databases - See below

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic Databases - See below

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

WPIDS & CHEMICAL ABSTRACTS Keywords used - clone, clonal, polymorphism, lymphocyte, T cell, B cell, neoplasm, leukemia, leukaemia, cancer, carcinoma, tumor, tumour, myelodysplasia, polycythaemia, polycythemia, myeloproliferative, microsatellite, mitochondria, electrophoresis, mass spectrometry, hplc, high performance liquid chromatography

CHEMICAL ABSTRACTS Keywords used - clonal & polymorphism (indexing terms), lymphocyte, T cell, B cell, neoplasm, leukemia, leukaemia, cancer, carcinoma, tumor, tumour, electrophoresis, mass spectrometry

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	SANCHEZ-CESPEDES et al. Identification of a Mononucleotide Repeat as a Major Target for Mitochondrial DNA Alterations in Human Tumors. Cancer Research. October 2001, vol. 61, pages 7015-7019	1-5, 8, 9, 11-20, 23, 24, 26-31
Y	See whole document	1, 6, 7, 12-14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 26-29
X	STERNLICHT et al. A Novel Strategy For The Investigation Of Clonality In Precancerous Disease States And Early Stages Of Tumor Progression. Biochemical and Biophysical Research Communications. March 1994, vol. 199 no. 2, pages 511-518	1-5, 8, 9, 11, 15-20, 23-24, 26, 30-31
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X	THUNBERG et al. Comparative Analysis of Detection Systems for Evaluation of PCR Amplified Immunoglobulin Heavy-Chain Gene Rearrangements. Diagnostic Molecular Pathology. 1997, vol. 6 no. 3, pages 140-146	1-5, 8, 9, 11, 15-20, 23-24, 26, 30-31
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X	LUTHRA et al. The Application of Fluorescence-Based PCR and PCR-SSCP to Monitor the Clonal Relationship of Cells Bearing the t(14;18)(q32;q21) in Sequential Biopsy Specimens from Patients with Follicle Center Cell Lymphoma. Diagnostic Molecular Pathology. 1997, vol. 6 no. 2, pages 71-77	1-5, 8, 9, 11, 15-20, 23-24, 26, 30-31
Y	See whole document	1, 6, 7, 10, 12-14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 26-29
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Y	See whole document	1, 6, 7, 10, 12-14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 26-29
X	KOCH et al. Molecular Detection and Characterization of Clonal Cell Populations in Acute Lymphocytic Leukemia by Analysis of Conformational Polymorphisms of cRNA Molecules of Rearranged T-Cell-Receptor- γ and Immunoglobulin Heavy-Chain Genes. Leukemia. June 1994, vol. 8 no. 6, pages 946-952	1-5, 8, 9, 11, 15-20, 23-24, 26, 30-31
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X	GOMORI et al. Microsatellite Analysis of Primary and Recurrent Glial Tumors Suggests Different Modalities of Clonal Evolution of Tumor Cells. Journal of Neuropathology and Experimental Neurology. May 2002, vol. 61 no. 5, pages 396-402	1-5, 8, 9, 11, 15-20, 23-24, 26, 30-31
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X	WICKHAM et al. Detection of Clonal T Cell Populations by High Resolution PCR Using Fluorescently Labelled Nucleotides; Evaluation Using Conventional LIS-SSCP. J Clin Pathol: Mol Pathol. 2000, vol. 53, pages 150-154	1-5, 8, 9, 11, 15-20, 23-24, 26, 30-31
Y	See whole document	1, 6, 7, 10, 12-14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 26-29
X	AJZENBERG et al. Microsatellite Analysis of <i>Toxoplasma gondii</i> Shows Considerable Polymorphism Structured Into Two Main Clonal Groups. International Journal for Parasitology. 2002, vol. 32, pages 27-38	1, 6, 10, 15, 16,
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X	WO 2002/088388 A1 (RUBBEN) 7 November 2002	1, 6, 10, 15, 16,
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X	US 2002/0004201 A1 (LAPIDUS et al) 10 January 2002	1-5, 8, 9, 11, 15-20, 23-24, 26, 30-31
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Information on patent family members

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		CA	2369045	EP	0815263	EP	1034307
		EP	1086247	EP	1185693	US	5670325
		US	5928870	US	6020137	US	6100029
		US	6143529	US	6146828	US	6203993
		US	6214558	US	6300077	US	2002119469
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